

Requested amendment to RB 5324 -- INCLUDE BODY-CRUSHING TRAPS
“CONIBEAR TRAPS”):

- o This bill needs to also include body-crushing traps, since over half the animals trapped in CT are caught with this non-selective device. Although meant to kill animals by breaking their spine, body-crushing traps only do so when the target animal enters the trap

perfectly – conditions very difficult to control in nature. When not killed outright, these traps cause immense suffering.

- o Body-crushing traps pose an extreme safety risk to curious pets and children alike, due to the force with which they slam shut and the amount of damage they can do. Not surprisingly, more than half the media reports about fatally trapped pets in the last few months concerned body-crushing traps.

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